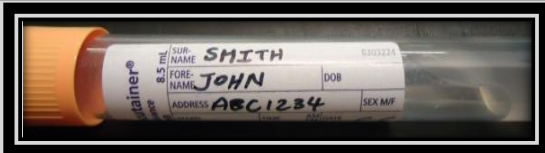


SPECIMEN TUBE LABELLING GUIDE

- Use only 17mm x 54mm labels to label samples
- Labels must have patient full given (first) name and surname plus one of the following:
 - Patient date of birth
 - Patient NHI
- **Specimens received from practices that are unlabelled, mislabelled, incompletely labelled may require recollection.**



1. Full first and surname and
2. Full Date of Birth



1. Full first and surname and
2. NHI.



Place labels as shown

- Standard tubes place label lengthways, close to cap, leaving base clear
- Micro tube labels must be wrapped around the tube leaving the base clear.



Blood cross match specimen collection and labelling

- Patients must present with a NZBS Crossmatch request form. The Specimen Collector Declaration section of the form must be completed by the collector.
- Sample label must be handwritten in indelible pen.
- The following information is required on the sample label:
 - Surname and given name (including middle names if provided on form)
 - Date of birth
 - NHI number (if provided on form)
 - Date and time of collect
 - Signature of collector
- Any changes made to the request form or sample must be initialed by the collector. Do not use correction fluid or tape.

